

Judicial Qualifications Commission State of Georgia

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Atlanta, January 17, 2023 – Bob Barr, who currently serves as Chair of the Georgia Judicial Qualifications Commission's ("JQC") Investigative Panel, announced that Charles "Chuck" Boring, who has served since 2019 as the watchdog agency's Director, has today resigned in order to pursue a career in the private practice of law.

The JQC is the constitutionally created agency with the responsibility and power to investigate and prosecute complaints of misconduct by Georgia judges at all levels. The JQC includes an Investigative Panel and a Hearing Panel.

During Boring's three years as Director, the JQC and its Staff have focused on fulfilling the JQC's mission by educating and advising members of the judiciary regarding their ethical responsibilities, and, when necessary, enforcing and prosecuting violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct in order to promote the public's confidence in the judiciary. Barr stated that in performing these myriad responsibilities, Boring, and the Staff he oversees, have done an outstanding job, and provided an extremely important service not only to the state's judiciary, but to the entire citizenry, by ensuring that the highest standards of conduct are maintained.

In departing, Boring stated that, "it has been one of the great honors of my career to serve as Director of the JQC. The members of the JQC and its Staff perform a great service to the State of Georgia through their dedication to the rule of law and their assistance to the judiciary. I am proud to have been a part of the JQC and I am grateful to have had the opportunity to positively impact Georgia's legal community over the past three years."

Boring will be joining the Atlanta firm of Robbins Alloy Belinfante Littlefield LLC as a partner on January 17, 2023.

Pursuant to JQC Rule 4 (A), the JQC's Investigative Panel delegated the Director's powers and duties to Courtney Veal, who has served as the Deputy Director since 2020. In this capacity, Veal, who like Boring, is a former prosecutor, assisted in educating and advising members of the judiciary and in prosecuting violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

The Investigative Panel also delegated responsibility for legislative matters relating to the JQC's work to Pope Langdale, who currently serves as an attorney member of the JQC's Investigative Panel and served as its Chair from 2019 to 2021.

Barr noted that Veal and Langdale will serve in these capacities until Boring's successor is selected by the Investigative Panel.